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In connection with MEDAN's visit to the Israeli Embassy on March 27, 1958, Confidential Informant T-1 advised that MEDAN had contacted his New York Office on the same date. One RACHEL reported to MEDAN that a Mr. JOHN ALEXANDER had attempted to contact MEDAN the same morning and that the man was to return the call on March 28, 1953. RACHEL said ALEXANDER had advised that URIE RAANAN (Phonetic) had spoken with MEDAN previously. MEDAN instructed that BATYA BERKMAN, MEDAN's secretary, in New York, draw out \$600 from the bank and give it to RIVKA, Informant reported that BATYA inquired possibly MEDAN's wife. whether MEDAN knew an individual named LOUBER or LONVER (phonetic). MEDAN did not appear to know these individuals; however, he indicated he knew a Mr. LOBER. MEDAN suggested that BERKMAN check to determine if the party she mentioned was identical with LOBER (\$)

On the same date T-1 learned that MEDAN had again contacted his office in New York and during his discussion the telephone number UNiversity 5-7009 had been mentioned. The informant could not determine whether MEDAN had asked for such a number or whether he had instructed that this number be contacted. MEDAN inquired whether Miss BERKMAN knew with whom he was in contact the same day and BERKMAN acknowledged she did. MEDAN instructed that RIVKA, possibly MEDAN's wife, "get the private address and sent it here". MEDAN requested she calle it to Washington, D.

On April 8, 1958, SAs of the FBI again observed RAFAEL MEDAN as he arrived at Washington National Airport via American Airlines, Flight 251, at 10:55 a.m. MEDAN was observed to make a local telephone call (number not identified) and then proceeded from the airport by taxi to the Roger Smith Hotel. At 12:18 p.m., same date, MEDAN met OMAR DAJANY at the Roger Smith Hotel where they conversed in the cocktail lounge until 12:45 p.m. They separated, MEDAN going to the Israeli Embasy and DAJANY returning to the International Bank Building.

Later the same date MEDAN was observed to have lunch with ITZHAK/DOROTH, First Secretary, and EFRAIM/LEVY, Second Secretary of the Israeli Embassy, at the Caravan Restaurant, 1617-19 Connecticut Avenue, N. W. After lunching together they all three returned to the Embassy and at 2:55 p.m MEDAN departed from the Embassy by taxicab, proceeded to the

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International Bank Building, however, it could not be determined whom he visited in the building. MEDAN entered the building at 3:05 p.m. and was observed to leave at 3:10 p.m. It is to be noted that MEDAN on departing the building had under his right arm a newspaper which was folded only one turn. He was not observed to be carrying the newspaper when he entered the building and no newsstand could be located inside the building. MEDAN returned to the Israeli Embassy at 5:30 p.m. He departed the building at 6:17 p.m. and proceeded directly to Washington National Airport departing for New York via American Airlines, Flight 570, which left at 7:45 p.m. (\$)

On April 8, 1958, Confidential Informant T-2 advised that GLORIA GIRTON, Secretary at the Embassy of the United Arab Republic, contacted an undentified woman and requested that the woman visit the Israeli Embassy and obtain certain information which "they" were interested in. The woman refused to do as requested because she considered it not to be the right thing to do. The informant said that GIRTON was most disturbed over the refusal but reported she would have someone else obtain the information. (5)

On April 18, 1958, SAs of the FBI observed RAFAEL MEDAN as he departed from the Israeli Embassy at 12:20 p.m. He proceeded by taxicab to the Roger Smith Hotel where he met OMAR DAJANY. They were observed to lunch together and converse together. At 2:02 p.m. DAJANY and MEDAN separated with MEDAN returning to the Israeli Embassy alone. (5)

MEDAN was not observed to depart from the Embassy and a check at the Washington National Airport failed to reflect he departed on flights of American Airlines departing at 6:10 and 7:30 p.m.(6)

It is to be noted that on April 18, 1958, T-1 had advised that MEDAN had inquired concerning American Airlines flights leaving at 6:10 and 7:30 p.m., for New York. Informant said MEDAN had a reservation on the 6:10 pm. flight and was on the waiting list for a 7:30 p.m. flight.

was advised by J. W. SUMMERS, Clerk of the American Airlines, that MEDAN had cancelled his flight leaving at 7:30 p.m. for New York City, and had inquired as to whether there were any flights to Baltimore, Maryland, where he could stop for two or three hours. The reservation was confirmed.

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for MEDAN to leave via Capital Airlines, Flight 469, for Baltimore, which left at 6:40 p.m. He was to arrive approximately 7:00 p.m. at Baltimore and then was to depart for New York via American Airlines at 10:57 p.m.

On April 18, 1958, T-1 reported that MEDAN had contacted BATYA BERKMAN to report he would get in touch with someone he did not identify within the next hour or hour and one-half. MEDAN was advised that RAANAN had retuned but had not seen what arrived for him. Later the same date T-1 said MEDAN again contacted BERKMAN. BERKMAN was instructed to wait for RAANAN who apparently had not arrived as expected. MEDAN reported he was leaving for New York the same night, however, he stated "There are many Jews here that I have to see".

On May 12, 1958, SAs of the FBI observed MEDAN as he arrived at Washington National Airport at 12:10 p.m. He proceeded from the airport via taxicab to the Mayflower Hotel. He entered the hotel from the main entrance and left almost immediately by a side entrance without contacting anyone. MEDAN was last observed at the Israeli Embassy at 2:15 p.m. (5)

On the same date T-1 reported that MEDAN had contacted the Israeli Embassy prior to coming to Washington to report he would arrive and desired to see Y. H. ORGEL, Press Attache. He indicated he was to go directly to a luncheon upon arrival and then return to the Embassy. He inquired about the telephone number of HANNA SEMER, correspondent for the Israeli newspaper "Davar". MEDAN requested that SEMER be advised he desired to see her.

MEDAN was observed to leave the Israeli Embassy at 6:12 p.m. from which point he walked to the Hotel Windsor Park where he registered for Room 316.(5)

At 8:07 p.m. MEDAN left the hotel and proceeded via taxicab to the Statler Hotel where he was observed to meet an unidentified man in the drugstore of the hotel. The unidentified man is described as white, 35 to 37 years of age, five foot seven inches in height, 145 pounds, dark brown hair, heavy beard and wearing a grey suit, black tie and shoes. MEDAN and the unidentified man were Next observed in a 1958 Chevrolet bearing District of Columbia license GK 229, with the unidentified man driving the car. They proceeded to (5)

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Freestone Point, located near Woodbridge, Virginia, about 25 miles south of Washington. The unidentified man and MEDAN were observed to play slot machines in the casino of the "S. S. Freestone". (5)

In connection with the District of Columbia license GK 229, SE JOSEPH C. CREEDEN determined on May 13, 1958, from the records of the Metropolitan Police Department, Washington, D. C., that the above license was registered to HARRY FRIEND, Auto Rental Agency, 1321 L Street, N. W.

SA EUGENE PAUL PITTMAN ascertained on May 13, 1958, from Mr. J. B. CORBITT, Day Manager of the Friend Rental Agency that GK 229 was rented by one ASHER SQUABIR (Mr. CORBITT reported that the handwriting was very poor and the spelling of the name could not be more definite), an individual said to be employed at the Israeli Embassy. The car was checked out at 8:15 p.m. on May 12, 1958, and returned to the agency at 12:06 a.m. May 13, 1958, being driven a total of 69 miles. The man renting the car was described as white, 31 years of age, five foot eight inches, brown hair, blue eyes.

On May 13, 1958, SAs of the FBI observed MEDAN depart from the Windsor Park Hotel at 11:55 a.m. He proceeded to the Israeli Embassy via taxicab. Shortly thereafter MEDAN visited the Israeli Embassy Annex, located at 2210 Massachusetts Avenue, N. W., (Y. H. ORGEL, Press Attache is known to have an office in this building.) Approximately an hour later MEDAN left the Massachusetts Avenue address with an unidentified woman described as 28 to 30 years of age, five foot six inches, 125 pounds, brown hair, wearing glasses and dressed in a brown suit with yellow blouse. They proceeded from the annex via taxicab and visited a gift shop where both made purchases and then they lunched together in a restaurant on Q Street and Visconsin Avenue. After lunch the woman and MEDAN proceeded to 1405 30th Street, N. W., where they entered.

It is to be noted that T-1 furnished information on May 12, 1958, that HANNA SEMER, correspondent for Israeli newspaper "Davar", had rented an apartment at 30th and Q Streets, N. W. It is also to be noted that 1405 30th Street is located on the northeast corner of Q and 30th Streets. They departed from 1405 30th Street and proceeded to the State Department building at 21st and Viginia Avenue, where the woman was discharged. MEDAN returned to the Israeli Embassy

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At 7:25 p.m. MEDAN left the Embassy with EFRAIN LEVY, First Secretary of the Israeli Embassy, who spends most of his time at the Israeli Consulate in New York. They walked to the Fairfax Hotel and after about one-half hour MEDAN had dinner alone at the Crystal City Cafe. MEDAN visited the residence of Israeli Ambasador, ABBA EBAN, and the residence of ITZHAK DOROTH. MEDAN returned to the Embassy and approximately fifteen minutes later the left the Embassy via taxicab for the Washington National Airport. He departed for New York at 12:15 a.m. on May 14, 1958.

On May 16, 1958, HARRY FRIEND, owner of the Friend-Rent-A-Car, 1321 L Street, N. W., furnished the following information to SA GERARD C. CARROLL. Mr. FRIEND's record showed that GK 229 was rented on May 12, 1958, to a man using the name A. ABIR with District of Columbia driver's permit Number 957071. He listed his address as 11333 Peabody Street, N. W. Mr. FRIEND noted that the same individual had rented the car previously and furnished an original application dated November 29, 1956, which was executed in the name of ASHER ABIR. The application showed that he was employed at the Mhbassy of Israel and the telephone there was HU 3-4160. Mr. FRIEND noted that his records disclosed a second application and registration dated April 3, 1957, for the same individual He said this was out of the ordinary inasmuch as a single registration suffices for rental purposes. The second application under the name ASHER ABIR, same address as before, reflected telephone number TU 2-2254 and also the telephone number of the Israeli Embassy HU 3-3200.(5)

In an effort to determine recent rentals by ABIR or an individual using the name, daily receipt and records of the agency were examined for the period of March 1, through and including May 14, 1958. It was noted this individual had also rented a car on March 5 and 6, 1958. It was also noted that the handwriting of the person using the car appeared to be identical. A photograph of ASHER ABIR, obtained from Protocol Office, Department of State, was exhibited to two employees of the rental agency. The employees were unable to identify the individual in the photograph as being identical with the person using automobiles from the rental agency.

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A stop was placed with the rental agency so that the Washington Field Office of the FBI would be advised in the event this individual again rents an automobile.

On May 15, 1958, Miss RUTH SILLOWAY, Protocol Office, Department of State, advised ASHER ABIR, listed as Assistant Administrative Officer at the Israeli Embassy, had, according to her records, terminated his employment on December 13, 1956, presumably to return to Israel.

These records reflected that ASHER ABIR was born at Baranawitch, Poland, on October 14, 1924. He assumed his duties at the Israeli Embassy on May 6, 1955. He was married and had two children. His address was listed as 1333 Peabody Street (5)

Confidential Informant T-3 advised telephone number TU 2-2254 as of April, 1957, was assigned to Mrs. JENNIE LIGHTFOOT, 306 Decatur Street, N. W(5)

On May 16, 1958, Mrs. KATHERINE ARTRIP, Secretary for the Young and Company Real Estate, 1818 18th Street, reported that ASHER ABIR an employee of the Israeli Embassy had occupied Apartment 301 at 1333 Peabody Street, N. W., from June 1, 1955, to March 30, 1956. Mrs. ARTRIP said her office no longer maintains the lease for the apartment, however, she recalls that ABIR had vacated his apartment in order to take a house in Washington, D. C. He was reported to have two children.

It is to be noted that a 1955 address telephone directory, Washington, D. C., listed ASHFR ABIR, 1333 Peabody Street, with telephone number TU 2-8596.

It is also to be noted that SE JOSEPH C. CREEDEN ascertained from the records of the Metropolitan Police Department, on May 14, 1958, that driver's permit, Number 957071, was assigned to ASHER ABIR, 1333 Peabody Street, N. W., who was born on October 14, 1924. The driver's permit was to expire on May 23, 1958.

On May 19, 1958, T-1 reported that MEDAN was scheduled to arrive at Washington, D. C., about noon on Thursday, May 22, 1958. MEDAN requested that Y. H. ORGEL and HANNA SEMER be advised.

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In connection with OMAR DAJANY, on May 6, 1958, the Patricial Stevens Finishing and Career School, 1322 New York Avenue, N. W., advised that Mrs. OMAR DAJANY is presently teaching at the school. It was reported that she came to work Monday through Friday at 1:30 p.m.

Mrs. KATHERINE WHELAN, Resident Manager, 2514
K Street, N. W., advised on April 14, 1958, that DAJANY and his wife occupy Apartment 61, where they have been since early 1957. She concluded DAJANY is a "lady's man" and that it was known to Mrs. WHELAN a heated argument had occurred between DAJANY and his wife in connection with DAJANY's visiting one of the call girls who is living in the apartment house. She identified the call girl as SANDY COLE.

On April 17, 1958, Confidential Informant T-4 advised she has known DAJANY since 1952 at which time he was employed as a Secretary by the Jordanian Embassy at 2400 16th Street. Informant was a switchboard operator in the same building. During this time she has seen DAJANY on numerous occasions but has indulged in sex acts with him on only about three or four occasions. Informant reported she had also lived in the same apartment dwelling as DAJANY and on a couple occasions DAJANY had visited her apartment during his lunch hour from the International Bank. On these occasions they indulged in sex acts.

Informant stated that DAJANY, as far as she is concerned, is not interested in natural sex, described him as being "queer with women." She said DAJANY has indicated a desire for mulatto women. Informant has found DAJANY to be a "good spender" that he has taken her to nice places, has given large tips and generally showed her a good time. She advised that although she has not visited subject's apartment it is her understanding that is lavishly furnished and that its furnishings are custom made.

On April 23, 1958, SAs of the FBI observed DAJANY: depart from his residence and drive over Chain Bridge to Arlington, Virginia, in his personally owned car. He was last observed in the vicinity of 31st Street, North, and Military Road. A check of the neighborhood disclosed DAJANY's

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by the Department of State, fails to list MOHAMED SHOAIB. The list, however, does disclose Miss NIGHAT SHOAIB, 2204 R Street, N. W., as an Information Assistant at the Pakistan Embassy.

The records of the Credit Bureau, Incorporated, reviewed on May 12, 1958, concerning MOHAMED SHOAIB disclosed a report dated May 22, 1957. This report reflected that SHOAIB resides at 2204 R Street, is employed at the International Bank, Washington, D. C., as Executive Director, which position he has held since November 1, 1952. He previously served with the Treasury Department with the Government of Parkistan. He is 57 years of age and a native of Pakistan.

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